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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/202,464
Filing Date	December 14, 1998
First Named Inventor	Kohsuke Kino et al.
Group Art Unit	1644
Examiner Name	P. Huynh
Attorney Docket Number	06501-024001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- Previously submitted
 - Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - Other _____
- Enclosed
 - Amendment/Reply
 - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - Other Petition for 3 Months Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- Other Transmittal of Extra Fees

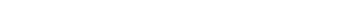
3. **Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050
 - RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
 - Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)
 - Other Any deficiencies
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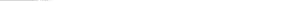
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1, 29-32, and 39 as indicated below.

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